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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility Design nonprovisional patent application of:

Inventor / Application Identifier: Masamichi IPPONMATSU, et al.

See Inventor Information Sheet attached

For: **A CERMET ELECTRODE AND A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME**

This is a new patent application.
 This is the 35 U.S.C. 371 National Stage Application of the above-identified PCT Application.
 This is a: Continuation Application
 Divisional Application
 Continuation-in-Part Application
of prior Application Serial No. 08/864,437.
 Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
 Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
-- This is a Continuation, Division, Continuation-in-part, of Application Serial No. 08/864,437, filed May 28, 1997, which is a continuation of Application Serial No. 08/611,835, filed March 6, 1996, which is a continuation of Application Serial No. 08/378,992, filed January 26, 1995, which is a continuation of Application Serial No. 07/909,900, filed July 7, 1992. --

[X] Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

| ENCLOSED ARE THE FOLLOWING: | | |
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| | 0 | Sheets of drawings ([] formal [] informal size A4). |
| X | 11 | Pages of specification including abstract and claims. |
| X | 11 | Total pages. |
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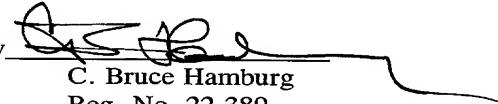
| PRIORITY CLAIMS | |
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| | Applicant hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of the following provisional application(s) under the provision of 35 USC 119. |
| X | <p>Applicant hereby claims the benefit under the provisions of 35 USC 119 of the filing dates of the following applications as indicated below:</p> <p>Japan Patent Appln. No. 3-196851, filed August 6, 1991, Priority Claimed of which certified copies thereof</p> |
| | will follow |
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| X | were filed in prior application: 08/864,437 |

| CLAIMS FILED AND FILING FEE CALCULATION | | | | | |
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| [] Base Fee - PCT ISA-US | — | — | — | \$740 | |
| [] Base Fee - PCT not ISA or IPEA | — | — | — | \$1,040 | |
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| [] Base Fee - Design | — | — | — | \$330 | |
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| Independent Claims | 1 | 3 | 0 | \$84 | \$0 |
| Multiple Dependent Claim Fee | — | — | — | \$280 | \$280 |
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